LAKESITE MESSENGER



City of Lakesite, 9201 Rocky Point Road, Lakesite, TN 37379 www.lakesitetn.gov 423-842-2533

From the Desk of Mayor Wilkerson

Spring is here and it is time for Lakesite's **8th Annual** Cleanup Campaign. Last year was a great success with our community cleanup. We hauled **143.16 tons** out of Lakesite!

We are committed to keeping Lakesite a safe, clean, and a beautiful community for our citizens. The month of April has been designated by the Lakesite Board of Commissioners and the City Manager as the **Super Clean-up Campaign Month.**

All residents are encouraged to participate in this campaign to insure the continuing beauty of our community. This a great time to clean garages, carports, crawlspaces, attics, and yards of debris, old appliances, junk items, weeds, and limbs. It's important that all citizens join forces and make it happen.

The City of Lakesite will have large dumpsters located behind City Hall during the month of April for residents to discard unwanted junk items, including limbs/ brush, and weeds. Items such as paint, oil, and hazardous materials cannot be placed in the dumpsters. The enclosed list shows the locations where citizens can dispose of such materials. When utilizing the make sure all of your debris items are below the top of the dumpsters. The dumpsters are to be utilized by Lakesite Residents only and NOT to be used by construction or landscape companies.

The City of Lakesite also provides a wonderful curbside service (which began July 1, 2006) for bulk items and yard waste items to be picked-up on an alternate week Thursday schedule. An enclosed calendar displays the days these items will be picked-up throughout 2014. All citizens are encouraged to take advantage of this service during the cleanup campaign and throughout the entire year.

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Fridays 9:00 am to Noon

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We are confident the citizens of Lakesite will make this campaign a huge success. The results of your efforts will continue to make our wonderful City a great place to live, work, play and assist with maintaining the property values of our citizens.

A Message from our City Manager, David Edwards

The late January snowstorm came as a surprise to us all. The icy roads caused a lot of white-knuckle moments for drivers trying to get home on the slippery roads. Here in Lakesite, our hilly terrain made it necessary for some drivers to park their cars along Hixson Pike near entrances to their neighborhoods and hike home through the ice and snow.

Thankfully, everyone made it through the ordeal, but the incident did alert us to a potential problem. Cars were left blocking Old Hixson Pike, Collins Lane, and Lyons Lane. Those cars, along with the terrible road conditions, would have made it difficult, if not impossible, for emergency vehicles to reach parts of the city had they been needed.

We hope that we won't be taken by surprise like that again. However, it is probably best to plan for the worst while we hope for better. Should we face weather conditions like that in the future and you must abandon your car, please be sure that it is not blocking roads or intersections. A good alternative might be to leave your vehicle in the Covenant Baptist church parking lot and walk from there. Regardless of where you have to leave your car, it goes without saying that you should move it as soon as weather permits.

Lakesite City Commission



Keep your valuables safe! Remove your valuables

LOCK IT UP!

from your vehicle and

ALWAYS keep it locked!

Mayor Ken Wilkerson 842-7476 Vice Mayor John McPherson 842-5441 Commissioner Valerie Boddy 504-4807 Commissioner David Howell 842-0023

Lakesite Staff

Commissioner Bill Neighbors

The main telephone number for the City Hall is 423-842-2533. Utilities and Maintenance can be reached at 423-842-2338.

City Manager Dr. David Edwards
City Recorder Jodi LaCroix, CMC

Buildings/Public Works Curt Blair
Code Enforcement Dan Maxwell
Utilities and Maintenance David Tate

HOURS

City Hall is open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and Friday 9:00 to Noon. Please visit our website at www.lakesitetn.gov.

Find us on Facebook!

Need Building Permit Info? Find it on our website!

POLICE-FIRE-EMS EMERGENCY - DIAL 911

Police Service 622-0022 Non-Emergency-Hamilton County Sheriff
Fire Service 842-9370 Non-Emergency – Dallas Bay Vol. Fire Dept.

Ambulance Service 423-209-6900 Non-Emergency – Hamilton County EMS

401-3601

Animal Control 624-5302 Humane Educational Society Garbage Service 476-2293 - Waste Connection Inc.

Schools 423-209-8400 - Hamilton County Dept. of Education

Water Dept. 423-877-3513 - Hixson Utility District

City Maintenance Utilities & Maintenance Dept., City Hall 842-2338

Burning Permit 423-643-5970 - Air Pollution Control Board

No burning May through September

Building Permits City Hall for permits 842-2533

City Recreation The ball field, picnic pavilion, park and tennis court

Swimming Pool Private-by membership only through the Lakesite

Recreation Club. Contact Kim Mullin 304-5349 after 5:00pm or

weekends





PET INFO - RABIES CLINIC

The rabies clinic will be held May 3, 2014 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Lakesite City Park.

The City contracts with the **Humane Educational Society** for our Animal Control needs. If you have a dog or cat complaint, they can be reached at 423-624-5302. The HES also registers your pet. Contact them for more information.

Daisy LaCroix Photo courtesy of her Mom, our City Recorder, Jodi LaCroix

WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK!

Just a reminder that we have a website with quite a bit of information for our residents. Go to www.lakesitetn.gov. You can also find us on Facebook. The website has our Code of Ordinances, current Agendas and Minutes of the City Commission. There are links of interest for various state and county agencies and much more. If there is something going on in the city, it will be posted on the website and on our Facebook page.

Our City Leaders are committed to getting information out to you, our residents. If there is something you want to see on the website, let our City Recorder know: jplacroix@lakesitetn.gov.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Every year members of the community get together and hold community wide yard sales. The dates this year will be Saturday April 19 and again on September 13. This is a time to make money on unwanted items. If you live at a hard to find location, put signs and arrows out at intersections. As this is not a municipal function, the City does not advertise this so if you want people to come, remember to advertise and put your signs out.

END OF SUMMER BBQ AND FIREWORKS

Due to the forced postponements last year of the 4th of July festivities to September, and because the response was so well received, the City decided this year to host the yearly BBQ and firework display on the Saturday before Labor Day (August 30th). Join us for our End of Summer BBQ and fireworks display! Plan for a great time at the park. The City will provide the BBQ, buns, drinks, and eating utensils for dinner at 6pm. Please bring a covered dish or dishes to share. As soon as it gets dark, we will have our fireworks display at the park.

SUPER CLEAN UP TIME

The 8th Annual Super Cleanup Campaign will be held during the month of April, 2014. Dumpsters will be stationed behind the Lakesite City Hall. Please dispose of approved items only. These dumpsters are to be used by Lakesite residents ONLY and not to be used by construction and/or landscape companies. We are also going to have a dumpster for just steel and appliances. No Freon will have to be removed! This dumpster will be here courtesy of PCS of Chattanooga. The following items are **not allowed** to be discarded in any dumpsters during the April clean up: Tires, Batteries, Used Oil, Wet Paint, & Fluorescent Light Bulbs.

TRASH PICKUP

The city contract with Waste Connection Inc. is to pick up 1 trash can twice a week: Mondays and Thursdays. Paint and oil cannot be disposed of in Waste Connection cans. Refer to Recycling and Hazardous Waste Disposal in this flyer for disposal of those items. Always be cautious of identity theft when discarding your trash. Rip up or shred sensitive material.



RECYCLING

Yard waste must be bagged. Limbs and branches must be bundled and tied.

BULK AND YARD WASTE ITEMS

Bulk and yard waste items are picked up on alternate Thursdays by our contracted hauler. When a holiday falls on Thursday, the pickup will be on the next day. Our website will always have updated information in case of difficulties.

NOT INCLUDED: Building materials resulting from construction, remodeling, repair or demolition operations, dead animals, hazardous waste or stable matter.

BULK ITEMS

Mattresses and box springs, stoves, hot water heaters, washing machines, furniture, refrigerators and air conditioners with "red Tag Certification" stating all coolants (Freon, etc) has been removed by a certified professional, and any other similar items. The maximum pickup will be three (3) items per week per home.

YARD WASTE

All yard waste consisting of limbs and branches having a diameter not greater than four (4) inches and a length not greater than four (4) feet shall be tied in bundles. The waste hauler shall not be obligated to collect branches or limbs having a diameter greater than four (4) inches or a length greater than four (4) feet. All yard waste consisting of grass cuttings and leaves shall be placed in bags and tied. The waste hauler shall not be obligated to collect any yard waste not prepared for collection in the foregoing manner: bundles shall not exceed thirty-five (35) pounds per bundle; bagged leaves and grass hall not exceed thirty-five (35) pounds per bag. The maximum pick up will be eight (8) items per week per home.

RECYCLING

The locations on the next page will take the following items:

Plastics #1-7 (Soda bottles, milk jugs, shampoo & conditioner bottles, etc.)
Brown, Green and Clear Glass, Aluminum and Steel Cans
Mixed Paper, Newspaper, Cardboard, Electronics, Appliances
Small Re-Chargeable Batteries, Used Motor Oil
Tires can be brought to Hamilton County Tire Recycle. 7625 Standifer Gap Rd,
Chattanooga, 423-855-6100, ext 241. 10 used tires maximum.

Hwy 58 Recycling Center

5414 Hwy. 58 (corner of Hwy. 58 & Hickory Valley Rd) (423) 326-0992 Monday & Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Standifer Gap Recycling Center

7625 Standifer Gap Road Chattanooga, TN 37421 (423) 855-6125 Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Middle Valley Recycling Center

1868 Crabtree Road Hixson, TN 37343 (423) 843-9317 Monday & Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sequoyah Recycling Center

9525 Lovell Road Soddy Daisy, TN 37379 (423) 842-2391 Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility allows City and Hamilton County residents to dispose of common hazardous materials generated within their residence the second Saturday of every month. Trained staff are on site and ready to unload all acceptable household hazardous materials. All of the items collected are properly managed to be either reused, recycled, or disposed of in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws.

Location & Phone Number

3925 North Hawthorne Street, Chattanooga.

Hours of Operation

The second Saturday of each month. 8:00 am until 12:00 pm

HAZARDOUS WAS	WASTE NOT ACCEPTED	
Adhesives	Oil based paint	Ammunition and explosives
Air conditioning refrigerants	Oven cleaners	Biological waste
Carburetor cleaners	Paint remover/thinner	Commercial hazardous waste
Compact fluorescent tubes	Pesticides	Latex paint
Computers	Propane tanks or bottles	Medical waste
Drain openers	Small electronics	Radioactive waste
Dry cell batteries	Smoke detectors	Unidentifiable waste
Fire extinguishers	Starter fluids	Yard waste
Fungicides	Thermostats	
Grease and rust solvents	Wet cell batteries	
Herbicides & Insecticides	Wood and metal cleaners	
Motor oil & vehicle fluids	Wood preservatives	

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The following is a recent **Dallas Bay Volunteer Fire Department** newsletter for your information. Please read it to be aware of the fire, emergency, and medical first responder services provided to Lakesite by this very capable **volunteer** organization. Because the City of Lakesite makes the annual \$70 payment for each of its homes and businesses from your tax dollars, no additional contributions from you are necessary. **However, if you would like to make an additional, tax deductible donation of any size, please send it to:**

Dallas Bay Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue, Inc. PO Box 577 Hixson, TN 37343-0577

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P.O. Box 577 ... Hixson TN 37343-0577 Email: dallasbayvfd@comcast.net Website: www.dbvfd.com



Billing/Account Questions 423-593-8295 Office: 423/842-9370... Fax: 423/842-9371 EMERGENCY 911

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND RESCUE, INC.

March 2014

Dear Neighbors:

Thank you for your continued support of the Dallas Bay Volunteer Fire Department (DBVFD). An update on Department activities for 2013 and thus far in 2014 follows.

A SPECIAL NOTE

Our recent newsletters have mentioned an increase in the payment requested for maintaining availability of volunteer fire, rescue and first responder emergency medical services. The Board of Directors decided to increase the Department's annual amount from \$50 to \$70 beginning in 2013. This increase started with the semi-annual mailings (\$35 each) in March and September of 2013. We sincerely hope you understand and agree with the following factors which influenced this decision. Your continued support is vital to our volunteer community service.

- The annual support amount of \$50 has remained unchanged since 1994.
- The continued financial viability of the Department is a concern as inflation increases our expenses and as facilities and equipment age.
- Emergency call volume which now includes first responder services for <u>all</u> 911 medical calls has increased from about **800 calls in 2009** to **1563 calls in 2013**.
- A corresponding increase in fuel, vehicle and equipment capital and maintenance expenses as well as personnel outfitting and training costs. (The number of volunteers has necessarily doubled from approximately 30 to over 60 in the last five years).
- Except for the Chief, **all personnel will continue to be volunteers** and receive no compensation or routine expense allowances.
- By comparison, two comparably sized Hamilton County volunteer fire departments have residential fees of \$100 and \$125 per year.

Remittance Information

- You may send the entire \$70 annual amount at this time, or if you prefer, remit \$35 at this time and send the remaining portion in September. A reminder will be sent in September for the second payment.
- Your support of the Department continues to be **tax-deductible** because the Department is a 501 (c) (3) Corporation under Internal Revenue Service regulations.
- Fire insurance premiums for our area homes and businesses would double if your Department was not available.
- Following a 2013 inspection by the Insurance Services Office (ISO), Dallas Bay has been awarded a Public Protection Classification Class 3 ISO rating effective August 1, 2013. This was a significant improvement from our current Class 5 rating and places Dallas Bay in the top 1% of volunteer fire departments in Tennessee! Savings on your fire insurance premiums could be 5-10%. CHECK WITH YOUR INSURANCE AGENT.

Your support is extremely important. There is no fire tax in Hamilton County---property taxes do not cover fire protection or other DBVFD services. Approximately 85% of our funding comes from your participation. This is our only form of solicitation. We do not solicit by phone or door-to-door.

If you have questions about your payment status, please call (423) 593-8295 and we'll update our records.

Highlights in 2013 and Early 2014

- In 2013 the Department used almost 7000 volunteer man-hours responding to 1563 emergency calls. More than 70% were for first responder emergency medical services (strokes, heart attacks, car accidents etc.). The balance included structure, vehicle and brush fires and other types of calls such as citizen assists, wires and trees down, spills, gas leaks, water rescues and automatic fire alarms. Average response time for all calls was 4.08 minutes. Property saved exceeded \$9 million (88%).
- Over 4000 man-hours of in-house training were conducted in 2013. Significant training
 completed since the last newsletter includes annual vehicle accident extrication, CPR,
 and Emergency Vehicle Operations Certification. Additional medical first responder
 courses are scheduled for March and April. Individual members continued enrollment
 and graduation from Hamilton County rookie and advanced firefighter schools.
- FEMA awarded the Department a \$260,000 grant to replace aging self-contained breathing apparatus used by each firefighter. Our matching share is \$26,000.
- New grant requests have been submitted to FEMA to replace firefighter turnout gear (helmets, boots clothing) and for an additional fire engine pumper. Two of our existing three fire trucks are over 20 years old. If successful, our matching grant shares and truck outfitting expenses will approach \$100,000.
- A new medical First Responder Squad Truck will be delivered in March and outfitted for use as a service truck as well.
- Concrete paving has been completed at our Middle Valley Road Station, and a pneumatic boat lift has been installed at Harbor Lights Marina to improve the readiness of our fire boat.
- The Hamilton County Commission has approved selection of an architect to start design of a County funded addition to Station 2 on McConnell School Road.

DBVFD and Your Community – Some Key Facts

- The Department was chartered by the State of Tennessee in 1975.
- The Department serves about 30,000 people and over 9400 homes, businesses, churches and schools in a 30 square mile service territory in the areas of Hixson, Soddy-Daisy, Falling Water, Dallas Bay, Lakesite, and Middle Valley including the Hidden Harbor, Stonewall Farms, Shoreline, River's Edge and Canyons residential areas.
- The Department has over 60 trained fire and medical volunteers on call at all times that respond to emergencies from three stations located in the Middle Valley, Dallas Bay and Falling Water communities. **Please call if you are interested in volunteering.**
- Members use their own vehicles at their expense to respond to the stations, answer calls and participate in training and other activities such as station and vehicle/equipment maintenance.
- Your tax deductible payment is used for:
 - Capital expenditures for property and equipment; operational expenditures for maintenance and fuel.
 - o Utilities and supplies for the three fire stations and emergency medical supplies.
 - Equipment and personal protective gear for fire fighters and rescue personnel. It costs almost \$8,000 to completely outfit a firefighter.
 - o Insurance for vehicles, stations, personnel and equipment.
 - Training and community fire prevention education.

REMINDERS:

- **SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES!** If you can't afford a detector, contact the Department.
- Consider adding portable fire extinguishers in kitchen and laundry rooms.
- Check dryer vents for hazardous lint buildup and carbon monoxide alarms for proper operation. Avoid the use of battery chargers in confined spaces.
- A department-sponsored yard sale will be held on April 27 at 8:00 am at Station 2 on McConnell School Road. All proceeds benefit our needy families Christmas Project. Most items are priced at 25 cents.

We are very proud of our accomplishments and the trust you've placed in us. Please help us to continue to serve the community with your financial participation – and encourage your neighbors to support the Department as well.

With appreciation for your support,

Bob Mullin Chairman of the Board

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Chief of the Department

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IMPORTANT: CAN YOUR ADDRESS BE SEEN?

Can the ambulance, Fire Department or Police easily locate your home? Minutes can be important. Please be sure your home address is in a visible location on your home, both sides of your mailbox and if your home is across the street from your box, have the address so that it can be easily seen at your home or driveway.



COME JOIN AND ENJOY THE FUN AT THE LAKESITE POOL ON OPENING DAY! MAY 24, 2014

Membership is required to swim. Complete the application form and submit with payment in full at the pool on opening day or at your earliest convenience.

2014 Pool Hours: Sunday 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Monday CLOSED

Tuesday –Thursday 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

- The Pool will operate through Labor Day weekend.
- Actual operating hours may vary after schools return to session in August.
- The pool is available to members for private parties on Mondays and after regular operating hours.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

INDIVIDUALS ARE NEEDED TO HELP WITH MANAGING THE LIFEGUARDS,
SCHEDULING PRIVATE POOL PARTIES, MAINTAINING POOL SUPPLIES,
COORDINATING 4TH OF JULY POOL GAMES, ASSISTING WITH POOL
MAINTENANCE, AND AS ALWAYS, HELPING TO PREPARE THE POOL FOR OPENING
DAY.

CLEANUP DAYS ARE SCHEDULED FOR MAY 3, 10 and 17 BEGINNING AT 9:00 a.m.

THE POOL OPERATES ON A NONPROFIT BASIS AND **RELIES SOLEY ON VOLUNTEER EFFORTS** AND THE COOPERATION OF ITS MEMBERS.

THE POOL IS FUNDED BY POOL MEMBERSHIPS.

THE LAKESITE POOL <u>IS NOT</u> AFFILIATED WITH THE CITY OF LAKESITE OR PART OF THE MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS.

Questions regarding the pool should be directed to Kim Mullin at 304-5349 after 5:00 pm during the week or anytime on the weekend.

LAKESITE RECREATION CLUB 2014 APPLICATION FORM

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We're on the Web!

Visit us at:

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